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SUBJ: DR RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL AND OPEC COUNTRIES

1. IN A TELEVISION INTERVIEW THIS WEEK, FOREIGN SECRETARY EMILIO JIMENEZ, AFTER DISCUSSION OF SAN JOSE OAS MEETINGS, SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE ISRAEL WOULD BE EXPELLED FROM UN.

HE RECALLED TRADITIONAL DR FRIENDSHIP WITH ISRAEL AND GOOD DIPLOMATIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND SAID, "RD HAS NEVER AGREED THAT ANY MEMBER OF UN BE EXPELLED." HOWEVER, JIMENEZ WENT ON TO SAY THAT GODR IS STUDYING POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING ACTIVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH OIL EXPORTING COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY ARAB COUNTRIES. HE SAID HE BELIEVED DOMINICO-ARAB RELATIONS COULD BE STRENGTHENED.

2. TODAY'S LISTIN DIARIO CARRIES COLUMN BY PARTIDO REVOLUCIONARIO DOMINICANO (PRD) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER EMILIO LUDOVINO FERNANDEZ MAKING STRONG CASE AGAINST ANY MOVE TO EXPEL OR SUSPEND ISRAEL. HE CONCLUDES THAT UN, NOT ISRAEL WOULD BE THE LOSER IF SUCH A MOVE WERE TO SUCCEED. ALTHOUGH ARTICLE IS BYLINER AND FERNANDEZ WRITES IN FIRST PERSON, HIS PUBLIC POSTURE ON THIS ISSUE MAY

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REFLECT CONSIDERED JUDGMENT PRD LEADERSHIP. AT VERY LEAST

THE ARTICLE SEEMS TO PRECLUDE ANY MOVE BY GENERALLY PRO-
ARAB PRD TO MOBOLIZE POPULAR FEELING ON THE QUESTION.
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